

IN RECOGNITION OF C. WILLIAM  
HOWLAND

**HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN**

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 7, 1999*

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of C. William Howland, Principal of Rice Elementary & Chaffins Elementary Schools in Holden, Massachusetts.

Mr. Howland has served the parents and children of Holden from 1961 until today. He will be enjoying a well-deserved retirement upon the completion of this school year. The career of this talented and respected teacher and administrator began with graduation from North Brookfield High School in 1957. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Worcester State College in June 1961. And in the Fall of 1961 until 1966 he taught Grade 5 at the Rice Elementary School. During this period he received a Master of Education Degree from Worcester State College in August 1964.

In 1966, Mr. Howland was appointed Assistant Principal of the Dawson Elementary School where he served until 1969. He returned to Rice Elementary as Principal in 1969 where he remained until 1997. In 1997, he was appointed Principal of the Rice Elementary and Chaffins Elementary Schools.

It will be my privilege to visit the Rice Elementary School on June 1, 1999, to highlight the importance of summer reading. And with great pleasure I will honor Mr. Howland for his dedication to the children past and present who have profited from his commitment to education. I wish him all the very best in his future endeavors.

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY  
RECOGNIZES RICKY FLETCHER

**HON. RUSH D. HOLT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the accomplishments of Richard Fletcher and his contributions to his community. Ricky has been awarded the Boy Scouts of America's Eagle Scout Award—the highest award in Scouting.

Ricky is assistant senior patrol leader with Troop 1776 from Titusville. He has been a Boy Scout since 1997 and had his Eagle Scout Board of Review in February of this year.

Ricky, who is 12 years old, is one of the youngest Eagle Scouts in the United States. Fewer than 2 percent of all Boy Scouts receive the Eagle Scout Award, making Ricky's age in relation to his achievement all the more impressive.

Ricky's accomplishments and contributions to his community are many. In addition to his Eagle Scout Project, which consisted of building benches, boardwalks, and a handicapped picnic table for a local park, Ricky has earned 41 merit badges. Only 21 are required to attain the Eagle Scout award.

Ricky is an honor roll student who is involved in several clubs at school. He has received awards and honors from numerous or-

ganizations. Ricky also participates in his church youth group, volunteers his time for litter pick up, and plays ice hockey.

Ricky Fletcher has demonstrated dedication to his goals and to his community. He has worked to improve himself and his environment. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ricky's accomplishments.

HONORING ELAINE AND DAVID  
GILL

**HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 7, 1999*

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to my friends, Elaine and David Gill, who are being honored this year by The Brandeis-Bardin Institute. The Brandeis-Bardin Institute opened in 1947; Elaine and David began their involvement in the mid-1950s, when they were students at UCLA. More than 40 years later, the Gills remain devoted to Brandeis-Bardin. They have done much during that time to help Brandeis-Bardin in its quest to build a strong Jewish community for the present and the future.

The Gills' ties to Brandeis-Bardin are social, professional, and familial. In 1959, the year before they were married, Elaine and David worked at the Institute as head counselors. Elaine has subsequently served as a member of the Board, chair of the Women of Brandeis-Bardin, and co-chair of the Brandeis-Bardin Associates. David is currently a member of the Board and the Executive Committee.

The Gill children have in this case emulated their parents. Elaine and David have four sons; two of them, Michael and Larry, married women they met at Brandeis-Bardin's Camp Alonim. During a 23-year span, at least one and sometimes all four of Elaine and David's sons (the others are Daniel and Lawrence) were involved as campers or camp directors at Alonim. In addition, Larry currently serves on the Board of Directors.

I don't know of any husband/wife team more active in promoting Jewish causes and Judaism than the Gills. David has for many years served on the Board and Executive Committee of the Jewish Federation and is active in United Jewish Fund. He also served as Los Angeles Chair of the United Jewish Appeal's Young Leadership Cabinet.

Elaine was chair of the Young Women's Division of the Federation, a member of the Board of Jewish Family Services, and is now a museum docent at Skirball Cultural Center. Elaine and David have together led many missions to Israel.

Both of them are active at Valley Beth Shalom, where they served as parashat rabbis and assisted in creating its *Havurah* program. Elaine is currently Vice President of Religion at Valley Beth Shalom.

This extraordinary partnership also includes a passion for music. Elaine and David have each been vocal accompanists for musical performances at Brandeis-Bardin.

I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Elaine and David Gill, whose selflessness and devotion to our community is inspiring. I am proud to be their friend.

CRISIS IN KOSOVO (ITEM NO. 7):  
REMARKS BY LANDRUM  
BOLLING, HARVARD UNIVERSITY

**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 7, 1999*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, on May 6, 1999, I joined with Rep. JOHN CONYERS, Rep. PETE STARK, and Rep. CYNTHIA MCKINNEY to host the third in a series of Congressional Teach-In sessions on the Crisis in Kosovo. If a peaceful resolution to this conflict is to be found in the coming weeks, it is essential that we cultivate a consciousness of peace and actively search for creative solutions. We must construct a foundation for peace through negotiation, mediation, and diplomacy.

Part of the dynamic of peace is a willingness to engage in meaningful dialogue, to listen to one another openly and to share our views in a constructive manner. I hope that these Teach-In sessions will contribute to this process by providing a forum for Members of Congress and the public to explore alternatives to the bombing and options for a peaceful resolution. We will hear from a variety of speakers on different sides of the Kosovo situation. I will be introducing into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD transcripts of their remarks and essays that shed light on the many dimensions of the crisis.

This presentation is by Landrum Bolling, a member of Harvard University's Conflict Management Group and a visiting Senior Fellow at the Center for International Policy. He was part of Rev. Jesse Jackson's delegation that freed the three American soldiers who were captured and imprisoned by the Serbs. Mr. Bolling addresses an important question: "Where do we go from here?" Based upon discussions that he and other members of the Jackson delegation had in Belgrade, Mr. Bolling predicts that Slobodan Milosevic will be prepared to accept a peace settlement that is quite close to NATO's central demands. He also emphasizes the critical importance of the refugees being able to return to their homes.

PRESENTATION BY LANDRUM BOLLING OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY'S CONFLICT MANAGEMENT GROUP

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Friends, I'm very pleased to be invited to be here with you and to share some thoughts about our present situation in Kosovo and the outcomes of it. Most of the provocative comments that have just been made by Ambassador Swartz are things that I very much agree with. We'd quarrel a bit about whether a Bosnian nation does, can or could ever exist. But I think that he is absolutely right. We've got to make up our minds whether we're going to win this war. If so, it has to be done quickly, or it will be an absolute disaster, not only for the Serb people and for the state of Yugoslavia, which will be destroyed, but we've also had a great many losses ourselves, and we will be made a kind of moral pariah country in the world. We cannot sustain this level of violence against people, many of whom are totally opposed to Milosevic, many of whom have no support whatsoever for the things the Milosevic government had done. But they're paying the price and we are not protecting any of the Kosovars who we said we were launching this campaign to protect.

Now, I think the central issue is this one, that the Ambassador has put forth very